

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Group Art Unit 1714  
ALLAN L. MELBY ET AL. : Examiner P. Michl  
Serial No. 09/159,843 : Attorney Docket No. C-2047DA  
Filed: September 24, 1998  
Entitled:  
AMPHOLYTE POLYMERS FOR USE  
IN PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

February 25, 1999

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 25, 1998, in connection with the above-captioned application. The Office Action has been reviewed, and the following response offered in an effort to advance the case to allowance. Reconsideration and early allowance of all pending claims in light of the following remarks is courteously requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1, line 3, please insert the following:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This is a continuation of Serial No. 08/828,495, <sup>Filed Mar. 31, 1997</sup> U.S. 5,879,670.

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REMARKS

Since the Examiner has referenced the Declaration submitted with Applicants' April 13, 1998 Response, Applicants assume that the amendments made in that Response will also be made and considered here. If an additional amendment must be made to enter the specification and claim changes, please advise.

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